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WE CLAIM:

A non-radioactive, isolated, Lipid II compound of the following formula:

wherein:

A is a hydrogen or a carboxyl group;

Ac is $-C(0)CH_3$; and

 W^{\dagger} is each independently a proton or cation selected from the group consisting of an alkali metal, alkaline earth metal, ammonium, alkyl ammonium, and dialkyl ammonium.

2. An isolated Lipid II compound having a purity greater than or equal to 50% of the following formula:

3W⁺

wherein:

A is a hydrogen or a carboxyl group;

Ac is $-C(0)CH_3$; and

 W^{\dagger} is each independently a proton or cation selected from the group consisting of an alkali metal, alkaline earth metal, ammonium, alkyl ammonium, and dialkyl ammonium.

- 3. The isolated Lipid II compound of Claim 2, wherein said Lipid II compound has a purity greater than or equal to 60%.
- 4. The isolated Lipid II compound of Claim 2, wherein said Lipid II compound has a purity greater than or equal to 70%.
 - 5. The isolated Lipid II compound of Claim 2, wherein said Lipid II compound has a purity greater than or equal to 80%.

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6. The isolated Lipid II compound of Claim 2, wherein said Lipid II compound has a purity greater than or equal to 90%.

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- 7. The isolated Lipid II compound of Claim 2, wherein said Lipid II compound has a purity greater than or equal to 95%.
- 10 8. The isolated Lipid II compound of Claim 2, wherein said Lipid II compound has a purity greater than or equal to 98%.
- 9. The isolated Lipid II compound of Claim 2, wherein said Lipid II compound has a purity greater than or equal to 99%.
- 10. The isolated Lipid II compound of Claim 2, wherein said Lipid II compound has a purity greater than or equal to 99.5%.
 - 11. A process for preparing a Lipid II compound, comprising:
- (1) providing a protected disaccharide core of formula25 14

Pg°O NHAC OPg³
OPg°O ACHN OPg⁵
OPg°O OPg⁴
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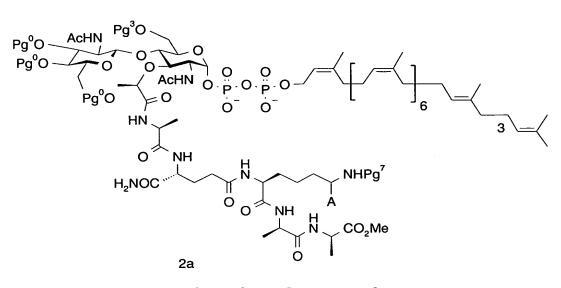
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(2) introducing an anomeric phosphate to form a compound of formula 12

(3) introducing a polypeptide linkage to form a compound of formula 7a

$$\begin{array}{c} Pg^{0}O \xrightarrow{AcHN} & Pg^{3}O \\ Pg^{0}O \xrightarrow{O} & O \xrightarrow{AcHN} & O \xrightarrow{p} & OPg^{6} \\ OPg^{6} & OPg^{6} & OPg^{6} \\ ONH & ONH & ONH & ONH & ONH \\ ONH & ONH & ONH & ONH & ONH \\ ONH & ONH & ONH & ONH & ONH \\ ONH$$

(4) introducing an undecaprenyl diphosphate linkage to form a compound of formula 8a



(5) removing Pg^0 , Pg^3 , Pg^7 , and Pg^8 to form said Lipid II compound;

. wherein:

5 A is hydrogen or a carboxyl group;

R² is methyl;

Ac is $-C(0)CH_3$;

Pg⁰ is an acyl hydroxy-protecting group;

Pg3 is an acyl hydroxy-protecting group;

10 Pg⁴ is a carboxy-protecting group;

Pg⁵ is a hydroxy-protecting group;

Pg⁶ is a phosphate protecting group;

Pg⁷ is an amine-protecting group; and

Pg⁸ is a carboxy-protecting group.

12. A Lipid II compound prepared by the process of

Claim 11.

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- 13. A process for isolating Lipid II comprising isolating said Lipid II at a pH greater than 6.
- 14. The process of Claim 13 wherein said pH is between 5 6 and 12.
 - 15. The process of Claim 14 wherein said pH is between 7 and 10.
- 10 16. The process of Claim 15 wherein said pH is between 7 and 9.
 - 17. The process of Claim 13, wherein said Lipid II has a purity greater than or equal to 50%.

18. The process of Claim 13, wherein said Lipid II has a purity greater than or equal to 60%.

- 19. The process of Claim 13, wherein said Lipid II has 20 a purity greater than or equal to 70%.
 - 20. The process of Claim 13, wherein said Lipid II has a purity greater than or equal to 80%.
- 25 21. The process of Claim 13, wherein said Lipid II has a purity greater than or equal to 90%.

- 22. The process of Claim 13, wherein said Lipid II has a purity greater than or equal to 95%.
- 5 23. The process of Claim 13, wherein said Lipid II has a purity greater than or equal to 98%.
 - 24. The process of Claim 13, wherein said Lipid II has a purity greater than or equal to 99%.
 - 25. A process for preparing a Lipid substrate,
 comprising:
 - (1) providing a protected disaccharide of formula 14

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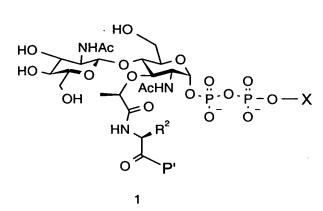
15 (2) introducing an anomeric phosphate to form a compound of formula 12

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(3) introducing a peptide linkage to form a compound of formula 7

(4) introducing a lipid-carrier diphosphate linkage to form a compound of formula 2

(5) removing the Pg^0 and Pg^3 groups and deprotecting the P group to produce a lipid substrate of formula 1



wherein:

Ac is $-C(O)CH_3$;

Pg⁰ is an acyl hydroxy-protecting group;

Pg³ is an acyl hydroxy-protecting group;

Pg4 is a carboxy-protecting group;

Pg⁵ is a hydroxy-protecting group;

Pg⁶ is a phosphate-protecting group;

 R^2 is hydrogen, (C_1-C_5) alkyl or (C_1-C_3)

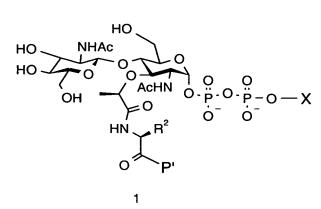
10 alkylphenyl;

X is a lipid carrier;

P attached to the carbonyl is a residue of an amino acid or peptide, wherein P comprises a protected terminal carboxy group; and

15 P' is a residue of an amino acid or peptide.

- 26. A Lipid substrate prepared by the process of Claim 25.
- 20 27. A lipid II analog of formula 1



wherein:

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Pg⁰ is an acyl hydroxy-protecting group;

Pg³ is an acyl hydroxy-protecting group;

Pg4 is a carboxy-protecting group;

Pg⁵ is a hydroxy-protecting group;

Pg⁶ is a phosphate-protecting group;

 R^2 is hydrogen, (C_1-C_5) alkyl or (C_1-C_3)

10 alkylphenyl;

X is a lipid carrier;

P attached to the carbonyl is a residue of an amino acid or peptide, wherein P comprises a protected terminal carboxy group; and

15 P' is a residue of an amino acid or peptide.